

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A resin composition comprising:  
  
a matrix; and  
  
a filler (C) comprising at ~~lest~~ least one of a metal carbonate and a metal hydroxide, the filler (C) having an average particle diameter of 0.5 to 30  $\mu\text{m}$  and showing a decomposition temperature of 250°C or higher,  
  
the matrix comprising:  
  
an acrylic copolymer (A) containing at least one carboxyl group as a functional group and having a molecular weight of 800 to 20000 ~~and~~ 20,000, an acid value (AV) of 20 to 150 and a glass transition temperature (Tg) of -60°C to -20°C as determined by differential scanning calorimetry; and  
  
a compound (B) containing two or more glycidyl groups in its molecule and having a weight per epoxide (WPE) of 80 to 400.
2. (Original) The resin composition according to claim 1, further comprising an aliphatic hydrocarbon compound (D) containing at least one carboxyl group and at least one hydroxyl group as functional groups and having a molecular weight of 70 to 300 and a melting point of 70°C or lower.
3. (Canceled)
4. (Currently Amended) A heat-stable soft resinous sheet article comprising a ~~cured article of the resin composition of claim 1~~, the sheet article ~~and~~ having a hardness of 70 or less at 25°C as determined with an ASKER C hardness tester.

5. (Original) The resin composition according to claim 1, wherein at least one metal hydroxide as the filler (C) is contained in an amount of 150 parts by weight or more to 100 parts by weight of the acrylic copolymer (A).

6. (Original) The resin composition according to claim 1, wherein the filler (C) is at least one of aluminium hydroxide and magnesium hydroxide.

7. (Currently Amended) The resin composition according to claim 1, further comprising at least one of a ~~poly phosphate~~ polyphosphate flame retardant and an expanded graphite as a flame retardant.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) A heat-stable soft resinous sheet article comprising a cured ~~article of the resin composition of claim 2, the sheet article~~ and having a hardness of 70 or less at 25°C as determined with an ASKER C hardness tester.

10-11. (Canceled)